MINUTES

OF THE

EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

BRUNSWICK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT LONG BRANCH,

BRUNSWICK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA,

NOVEMBER 2 AND 3, 1894.

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The next Session of this Association will be held with the Church at Shallotte, Brunswick County, N. C., Beginning Thursday before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1895.

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1894.

OFFICERS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.

Rev. James A. Mints, Moderator ..... Shallotte, N. C.
Isaac Jenrette, Jr., Sec. and Treas ..... Iredell, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.

C. Milliken ..... Ash, N. C.
J. A. Mints ..... Shallotte, N. C.
A. A. Edwards ..... Winnabow, N. C.
N. Milliken ..... Ash, N. C.
J. W. Tharp ..... Iredell, N. C.
J. H. Long ..... Excelsior, N. C.
D. L. Hewett ..... Shallotte, N. C.
Joseph Bennett ..... Iredell, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.

Isaac Milliken ..... Shallotte, N. C.
Samuel Danford ..... Shallotte, N. C.
John M. Long ..... Shallotte, N. C.
Alfred Bennett ..... Calabash, N. C.
E. Little ..... Excelsior, N. C.
A K. McKeithan ..... Iredell, N. C.
J. P. Rhoads ..... Ash, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Brunswick Association met in its eighth annual session with the Baptist Church at Long Branch, Brunswick County, N. C., November 2, 1894. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. N. Milliken. Text: "By faith Moses, when he come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter. Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt, for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward."

Recess for thirty minutes, after which the delegates assembled in the house. The Moderator not being present, Rev. J. A. Mints was elected Moderator *pro tem.* and called the Association to order by the reading of the 24th division of the Psalms. Hymn, "Teach me my God and King." Prayer, Bro. J. M. Long leading. List of churches called. A majority being present, the Moderator announced the Association ready for business. Bros. H. M. Hewett, L. M. Todd and John Jenrette were appointed Finance Committee; Bros. J. M. Long and I. Milliken, Reading Clerks.

On motion, letters were called for, read and received, and names of delegates enrolled as follows:

Beulah—W. C. Long, J. W. Tharp.
Chapel Hill—J. W. Danford, G. W. Sellers.
Friendship—Jabish Frink, J. M. Long.
Long Branch—D. J. Ganus, J. A. Russ, A. K. McKeithan.
Magnolia—Not represented.
Mill Creek—B. B. Willets, J. M. Willets, J. W. Willets.
New Britain—E. Little, J. A. Inman, N. Milliken.
New Life—Albert Edwards, J. W. Simmons.
Poly Bridge—A. T. Ward, W. F. Reaves, W. J. Hardwick.
Prospect—B. L. Holden, A. B. Clemmon, Jr.
Shallotte—H. M. Hewett, J. A. Mints, Isaac Milliken.
Shiloh—Represented by Letter.
Soldier Bay—L. M. Todd, V. Smith, C. Evans.

The Association then proceeded to organize with the following results: Rev. J. A. Mints, Moderator; Isaac Jenrette, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer.

Invitation was extended to corresponding messengers and visiting brethren, when Rev. A. W. Carter was announced from the Waccamaw Association and made welcome.

Elder E. W. Wooten and Bro. J. L. Wescott presented themselves as a committee from the Cape Fear Association, asking for an opportunity to present to this body a memorial letter from said Association. Committee was received and 11 o'clock A. M. to-morrow was set for the reading of said memorial.

The committee that was appointed at last session to visit Camp Branch was called upon to report. Reported as follows:

"We visited said church and found it a little out of order, and by our advice she agreed to set herself right.

Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE."

On motion, the report was received and the committee discharged, and the church received in full fellowship of the Association and names of delegates enrolled as follows: S. K. Little and N. Little.

Invitation to newly constituted churches was extended, when the church at Lovely Springs presented a petitionary letter asking for admission. Elder E. W. Wooten, Bros. J. M. Long and Isaac Milliken were appointed as a committee to investigate her orthodoxy. Committee reported as follows:

"Your committee beg to submit that unless the Association affords us some source from which to obtain information, we are unable to report either favorably or unfavorably.

COMMITTEE."

Report received and committee discharged.

On motion, the following committee was appointed to visit said church and inquire into her orthodoxy, and report to the Executive Board: D. L. Hewett, B. L. Holden, A. B. Clemmons, A. A. Edwards and J. W. Danford.

On motion, the Moderator announced the following committees:

On Vigilance—H. I. Bennett, D. E. Hughes, L. B. Hughes.

On Religious Exercises—I. Jenrette, Sr., T. B. Stanly, D. B. McKeithan.

On Ministerial Support—J. L. Wescott, N. Milliken.

On Sunday Schools—Jabish Frink, J. M. Long.

Committee on Arrangements announced that Rev. D. L. Hewett would preach at the stand at 2 o'clock P. M.

On Periodicals—J. W. Tharp, W. McKeithan.

On Missions—E. W. Wooten, J. A. Russ.

On Intemperance—V. Smith, L. M. Todd.

On Prayer-Meetings—A. T. Ward, W. J. Hardwick.

On Orphanage—A. W. Carter, H. M. Hewett.

On Ministers' Relief Fund—Isaac Milliken, John Jenrette.

On Correspondence—B. L. Holden, E. Little.
On Special Changes—A. K. McKeithan, W. C. Long.
On motion, adjourned to meet at 9:30 A. M. to-morrow.
Prayer, Elder E. W. Wooten leading. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

SECOND DAY. November 3, 1894.

Devotional exercises conducted by Elder E. W. Wooten, who read the 23d division of Psalms. Hymn, "Must Jesus bear the cross alone." Prayer, Bro. J. L. Wescott leading. List of churches called, majority present. The Moderator announced the Association ready for business. The Committee on Arrangements announced that Rev. A. W. Carter would preach at the stand at 10 o'clock A. M. Minutes of yesterday read and received. Invitation renewed to visiting brethren and newly constituted churches; none present.

The Moderator announced that reports were in order.

Bro. J. M. Long read the report on Sunday Schools:

"*Dear Brethren:* We believe that next to the preaching of the gospel the Sunday School is the most important Christian work, being a work in which all Christians can engage, thus helping the ministers in framing and moulding the minds of the young, causing them to become fit material for the church. It is claimed by our most experienced ministers that members coming from the Sunday School to the church seldom, if ever, dishonor the profession they have made. With these well established facts your committee would urge the necessity of our Baptist churches becoming fully interested in this great and important Christian work.

Respectfully, COMMITTEE."

After remarks by Rev. D. L. Hewett and Bro. J. L. Wescott, was received.

Rev. J. W. Tharp read the report on Periodicals:

"Your committee beg to submit the following: We find that a great many of the members of our churches are not reading our religious papers, but are giving too much of their time and money to the purchase and reading of political papers. We advise the members to devote more of their time and money to the purchase and reading of religious papers and less to politics. We believe that by so doing you will benefit our Baptist people. We recommend the *North Carolina Baptist* and other Baptist papers.

J. W. THARP, *Chm'n Committee.*"

After remarks by Bro. J. L. Wescott, was received.

Bro. Isaac Milliken read the report on Prayer Meetings:

"We recommend that every church in the bounds of the Association have a prayer-meeting at least once a week.

Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE."

After remarks by Bro. I. Milliken and Rev. D. L. Hewett, was received.

Bro. John Jenrette read the report on Ministers' Relief Fund:

"Your committee beg to submit the following: We feel, from a sense of duty, that it is our Christian duty to take into consideration the destitute condition of our old and wornout ministers, who have become dependent upon the charity of the brotherhood, and by no means should we neglect those who have stood upon the outer walls of Zion warning sinners to flee from the wrath to come, but let them be the object of our care as all others who are of the household of faith. COMMITTEE."

Report received.

Bro. John Jenrette read the report on Orphanage:

"We are happy to know that the time has come when the orphans are cared for and that the Baptists of this State have provided for their support and education. With this glorious privilege, as well as duty, let every Christian brother and sister contribute to their support.

Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE."

After remarks by Rev. E. W. Wooten, was received.

Bro. A. K. McKeithan read the report on Special Changes:

"We find, by our church letters, that six of our loved ones have passed over Jordan, to-wit, Shallotte, 3; Mill Creek, 2; Long Branch, 1. While we mourn the loss of loved ones let us pray to meet again."

Recess for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Elder E. W. Wooten read the Memorial from the Cape Fear Association as follows:

"The Cape Fear Association, in session at Western Prong Church, on Friday, 26th of October, 1894, adopted unanimously the following resolution, to-wit:

WHEREAS, There seems to be a disposition in the minds of some of our brethren to multiply the number of Associations in the State, detrimental, as we believe, to our higher Christian development, and whereas a large number of churches once belonging to the Cape Fear Association have followed

this course, leaving said Association with 24 churches, all in Columbus and Brunswick Counties, save one in Bladen; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Association do most earnestly and prayerfully memorialize and request our sister churches, now composing the Brunswick Association, to unite with us in our Association; be it

Further resolved, That we do appoint our brethren, to-wit, Elders E. W. Wooten, J. H. Hildreth and Bros. J. L. Wescott and C. C. Gore a committee to visit the Brunswick Association at its next session and lay before that body this petition and present in the name of the Association the advantages and benefits of such a union.

D. H. COOK, *Clerk.* G. W. HILL, *Moderator.*"

After many remarks by the brethren it was resolved that this Association accept the proposition, and that we unite in one Association. The congregation sang, "Blest be the tie that binds," while the brethren partook of a hearty handshake.

Bro. L. M. Todd read the report on Intemperance:

"Your committee would earnestly urge and insist that all heads of families, and especially those who have professed religion, desist from the excessive use of intoxicating liquors, upon the ground that it is no harm to take a drink; and do not think it would be too strenuous to urge the actual necessity of a final abstinence from the use of intoxicating drinks, from the fact that the evil influence that such a habit may have upon the youthful part of mankind, when we look around and call to mind the many desolate homes, widows and orphans caused by the influence of intoxicating drinks, and again think of the number of the noble sons of our country that have become victims of our State prison by the evils thereof, we urge the necessity of being temperate in all things. Respectfully, COMMITTEE."

After remarks by Bro. J. L. Wescott and Rev. A. W. Carter, was received.

Rev. N. Milliken read the report on Ministerial Support:

"We believe this is one of the most neglected duties in our churches, and one of the great reasons why religion is at such a low ebb in our community. We, therefore, urge the necessity of all churches to give their ministers a liberal support.

COMMITTEE."

After remarks by Bro. J. L. Wescott, was received.

Report on Correspondence: To the Waccamaw Association, J. A. Mints, J. M. Long; to the Columbus Association, V. Smith, I. Jenrette, Jr.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We have received as follows—For Thomasville Orphanage	$ 1 20
Minute Fund	12 45
Total	$13 65

All of which we have paid to the Treasurer.

COMMITTEE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from Finance Committee for Thomasville Orphanage	$ 1 20
Minute Fund	12 45
Total	$13 65

DISBURSEMENTS.

Sent Thomasville Orphanage	$ 1 20
Paid Clerk for having Minutes printed and for his services	12 45
Total	$13 65

ISAAC JENRETTE, JR., *Treasurer.*

On motion, the next session of this Association will be held with the church at Shallotte, Brunswick County, N. C., beginning Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1895. Rev. E. W. Wooten to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Rev. J. A. Mints, alternate.

Resolved, That this body tender thanks for the hospitality extended the same by the good people of this neighborhood.

On motion, that the Clerk have 250 Minutes of this meeting printed, and distribute the same according to the Constitution.

On motion, all unfinished business be left with the Executive Committee.

On motion, adjourned. Prayer, Rev. N. Milliken leading. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Thus closed the eighth annual session of the Brunswick Association.

REV. J. A. MINTS, *Moderator.*

ISAAC JENRETTE, JR., *Clerk.*

The committee appointed by the Association to visit the church at Lovely Springs having visited said church and having found her orthodox, also having reported to us, the Executive Committee of the Association, therefore, we, the Executive Committee of the Association, authorize the Clerk to enroll her as a member of our body in good standing.

Assigned, Executive Committee of Brunswick Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.	Total.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Beulah	J. A. Mints, Shallotte	B. J. Bennett, Iredell	$15 79	$	$	$	$15 79	..	3	1	2	..	..	22	51	73
Camp Branch	N. A. Celihen	R. D. Mooney, Record	6 00				6 00	2	..	..	..	..	..	14	22	36
Chapel Hill	J. T. Caines, Board Landing, S. C	G. W. Sellers, Shallotte	60 00		63	1 26	61 89	..	3	4	2	6	..	33	48	81
Friendship	E. W. Wooten, Wooten	J. M. Long, Shallotte	60 00		1 00	1 00	62 00	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	10	26
Long Branch	J. A. Mints, Shallotte	John Jenrette, Iredell	25 00				25 00	1	6	1	..	1	1	35	36	71
Lovely Spring	L. Sellers	G. W. Murrill, Bolivia	7 50				7 50	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	10	19
Magnolia																
Mill Creek	D. L. Hewett, Shallotte	G. T. Hickman, Winnabow	23 68				23 68	12	1	4	1	1	2	36	53	89
New Britain	D. H. Hillbern	W. S. Milliken, Excelsior	38 00				38 00	2	..	1	1	1	..	42	102	144
New Life	G. W. Hill, Eoka	C. W. Caison, Exum	12 00	1 93			13 93	..	2	..	..	4	..	22	24	46
Poly Bridge	P. Milliken, Boone, S. C.	W. McKeithan, Coleman	36 50				36 50	2	..	1	..	6	..	24	35	59
Prospect	D. L. Hewett, Shallotte	O. T. Simmons, Supply	18 00				18 00	..	4	..				16	21	37
Shallotte	S. J. Caines, Daisy, S. C.	I. Milliken, Shallotte	48 00				48 00	4	1	..	2	2	3	40	62	102
Shiloh	D. L. Hewett, Shallotte	A. W. Clemmons, Supply	8 06				8 06	..	1	..	..	..	..	14	14	28
Soldier Bay	C. Milliken, Ash	J. B. Stanly, Ash	14 25				14 25	18	5	5	6	4	..	45	59	104

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	No. Officers and Teachers	No. Scholars.	Total.	School Expenses.	No. Volumes in Library.	No. Kind Words Taken.	No. Months Kept Open.
Beulah	A. C. Mears, Calabash, N. C		11	40	51	$ 1 10			
Chapel Hill	T. A. Carrall		5	44	49	1 62		11	
Friendship	J. M. Long, Shallotte, N. C					50			
Long Branch	H. I. Bennett, Iredell, N. C	L. B. Hughes, Iredell, N. C	9	46	55	5 60	85		12
Mill Creek	D. P. Robbins, Winnabow, N. C		8	60	68	1 70	16		
New Life	N. B. Bennett, Exum, N. C		7	14	21				
Poly Bridge	B. J. Simmons, Coleman, N. C		8	50	58	5 09	100		
Prospect	R. B. Clemmons, Supply, N. C		6	26	32				
Shallotte	I. Milliken, Shallotte, N. C	W. E. Long, Shallotte, N. C	5	60	65		80		9
Soldier Bay	L. M. Todd, Ash, N. C		10	54	64				

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